

B-3342 - B-3350
43-3 E. Hamburg St. (South side)
Baltimore, Md.
Private access

1839-1855

The entire south side of the unit block of E. Hamburg St. (except for 3-7 E. Hamburg St., west of Patapsco St.) is improved with groups of two and a half story, late Federal style brick houses built in the late 1830's and early 1840's by John S. Gittings and several other local carpenters to whom he sold lots. 3-7 E. Hamburg St. are two story, two bay wide gable-roofed brick houses built in the 1850's for working class tenants. They are quite similar to other two story houses lining Patapsco St. just to the south of these houses. A number of houses on this side of Hamburg St. are currently being renovated.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

15-21 E. Hamburg St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

VICINITY OF

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

__DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

__STRUCTURE

__SITE

__OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

__PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

__BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

__IN PROCESS

__BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

__UNOCCUPIED

__WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED

__YES: UNRESTRICTED

__NO

PRESENT USE

__AGRICULTURE

__COMMERCIAL

__EDUCATIONAL

__ENTERTAINMENT

__GOVERNMENT

__INDUSTRIAL

__MILITARY

__MUSEUM

__PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

__RELIGIOUS

__SCIENTIFIC

__TRANSPORTATION

__OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Records Office Room 601

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

Liber #:

Folio #:

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

__FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED (15,19)
☒ ALTERED (17,21)

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This group of four two story brick houses with gable roofs and front and rear roof dormer windows was built in the 1830's and formed part of a group of such houses extending along this side of Hamburg St. All of the houses had been covered with formstone but 15 and 19 Hamburg have recently had their formstone removed.

The houses are two and a half stories in height, 15 and 17 Hamburg are 13' wide, 19 Hamburg is 15' wide, 21 Hamburg is 14' wide, and all occupy lots about 75' deep. Each house is two rooms deep and probably originally had a one story high, two bay deep rear addition. Today, 15 and 17 Hamburg have new one story high, two bay deep additions; 19 Hamburg has a two story high, two bay deep addition; and 21 Hamburg has the original one story high, two bay deep addition. The houses are constructed in running bond but 17 and 21 Hamburg are covered with formstone. The steeply pitched gable roofs have a two-tier brick cornice. Each house has a front and rear roof broken pedimented dormer window. 21 Hamburg has its original standing seam tin roof with wooden snow guard; the roofs of the other houses are covered with tarpaper. Each house has a double rectangular chimney located on both the front and rear roof gables. At 15 Hamburg the chimneys are located on the west side of the house; at 17, 19, and 21 Hamburg the chimneys are located on the east side of the house. 21 Hamburg also has a rear end chimney located at the south end of the rear addition.

All of the door and window openings have flat wood lintels and wood sills. All of the window openings, except for at 15 Hamburg, are filled with 1/1 double hung sash. As of this writing, the window openings at 15 Hamburg are empty, as the house is in the process of being renovated. 15, 19, and 21 Hamburg St. currently have modern flush doors and 17 Hamburg has a panel door with upper lights. All of the doors are set beneath single light transoms. The flush door at 15 Hamburg will undoubtedly be replaced with a modern six panel door. The houses sit on fairly low basements, the entrances being reached by three stone steps at 15 and 17 Hamburg, by three brick steps at 19 Hamburg, and by two wood steps at 21 Hamburg. Each house has a rectangular coal opening located beneath the first floor window. A flat-roofed alleyway runs back between 15 and 17 Hamburg, and back under the westernmost bay of 21 Hamburg St.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
—1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
—1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
—1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
—1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
—1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1839-40 BUILDER/ARCHITECT Joseph Cassell/John S. Gittings

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 35-43 E. Hamburg St.

This row of houses was built jointly by Gittings and a Joseph Cassell, a carpenter, to whom Gittings leased the lots at 15-17 E. Hamburg St. Cassell built the houses on those two lots at the same time that Gittings built the houses on the neighboring two lots at 19-21 E. Hamburg St.¹ The first owner of 15 E. Hamburg St. was an Allan Thompson, a ship carpenter; the first owner of 17 E. Hamburg was a Samuel Keck, a proprietor of teams. The first owner of 19 E. Hamburg was a Christopher Cook, a coal dealer, and the first owner of 21 E. Hamburg St. was a John S. Orem, a watchman.² All of these first owners actually lived in the houses.

¹Baltimore City Directory, 1842; Baltimore City Land Records, Liber TK 296, Folio 322

²Ibid., 1840-41, 1842, 1849-50

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY $\frac{13' \times 76'6'' (15); 13' \times 75'8'' (17); 15' \times 74'10'' (19);}{14' \times 74' (21)}$

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. & Eccles

DATE

5/79

STREET & NUMBER

1745 Circle Rd.

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ruxton

STATE

Maryland 21204

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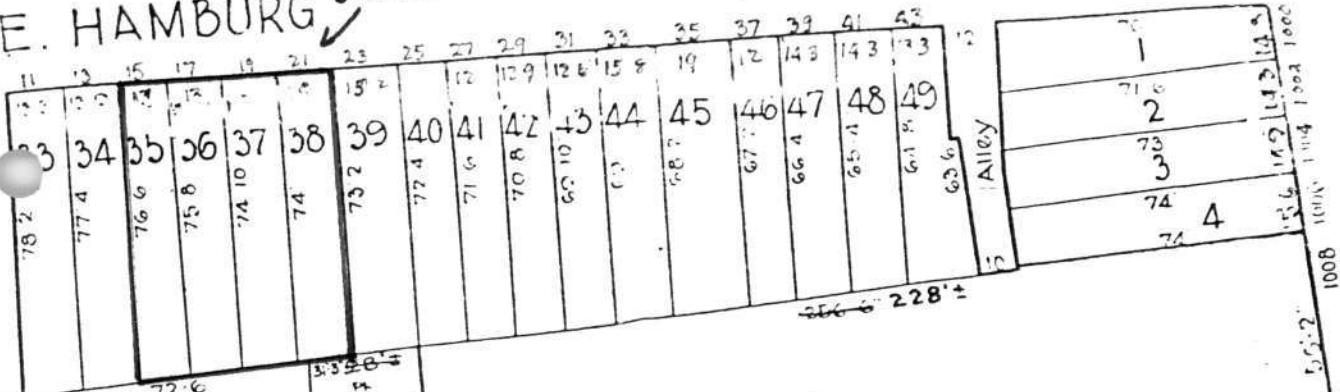
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E. HAMBURG

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228'

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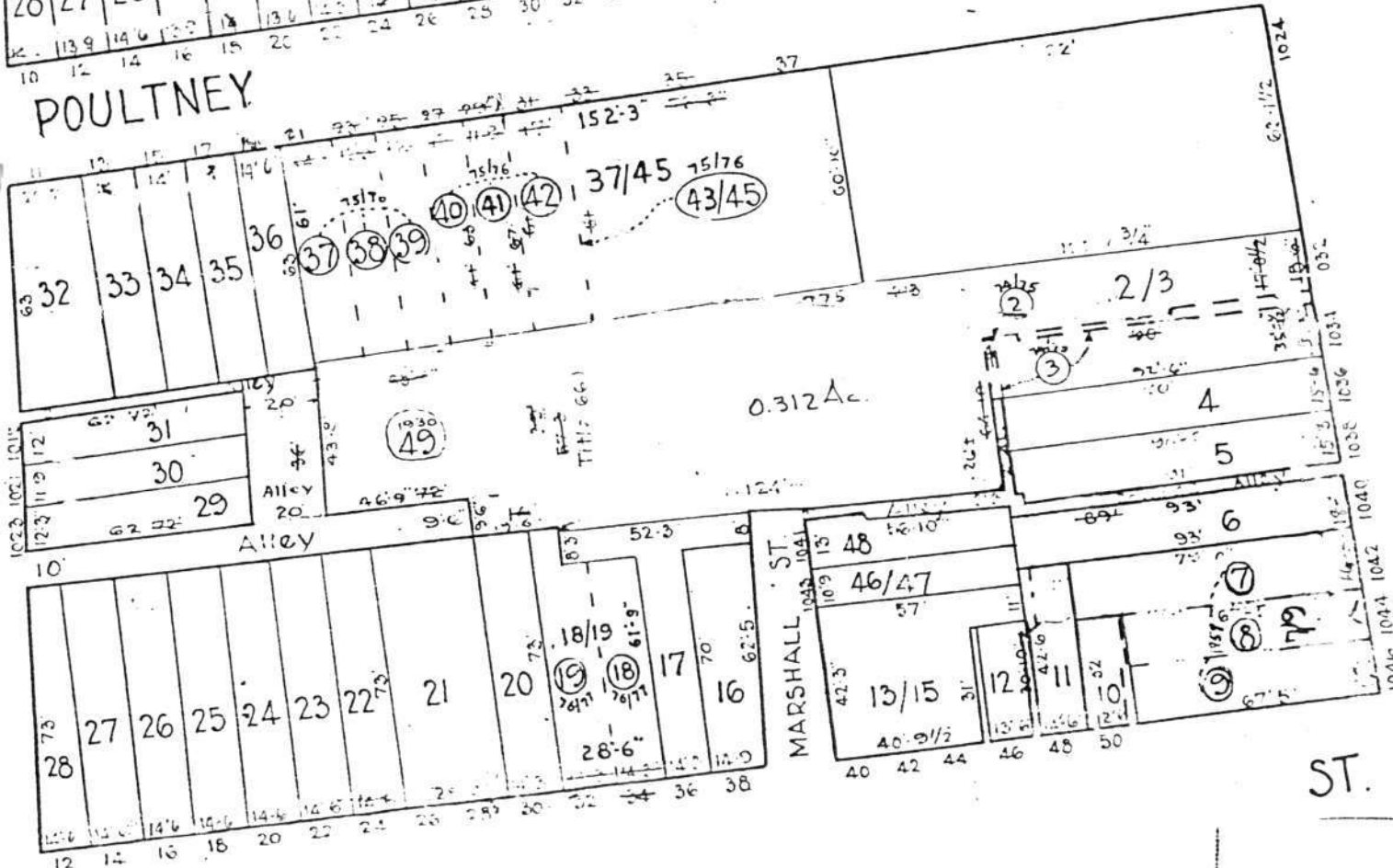
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PATAPSCO

POULTNEY

ST.

LIGHT



0.312 A

E. CROSS

ST.

NOTICE

THIS IS A REAL PROPERTY PLAT AS PROVIDED
IN THE ARTICLES OF THE CITY CHARTER

DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF
PROPE

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B-3346
15-21 E. Hamburg Street
Block 0934A LotS 035-038
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.





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15-21 E. Hamburg St

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North elevation